

**EXECUTIVE ORDERS, PROCLAMATIONS OF
GENERAL APPLICABILITY, AND STATEMENTS
ISSUED BY THE GOVERNOR
PURSUANT TO A.R.S. § 41-1013(B)(3)**

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*** RED RIBBON WEEK ***

[M08-478]

WHEREAS, substance abuse prevention efforts can be a catalyst for creating healthier communities and promoting an improved quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the consequences of drug abuse and addiction continue to have a profound effect on individuals, families and communities nationwide; and

WHEREAS, the National Red Ribbon Campaign will be celebrated during "Red Ribbon Week," October 23, 2008 through October 31, 2008; and

WHEREAS, Arizona communities, businesses, government, law enforcement, tribal communities, military, schools, national programs, citizens young and old, and organizations will demonstrate their commitment to enforcing a drug free environment and healthy lifestyle by wearing and displaying a red ribbon; and

WHEREAS, participation in drug awareness and education activities creates the opportunity for communities to make a visible statement of strong commitment to wellness and healthy lifestyles;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim October 23-31, 2008 as

*** RED RIBBON WEEK ***

in Arizona and call upon the residents of Arizona to demonstrate their commitment to drug free communities by observing Red Ribbon Week and participating in drug awareness and education efforts.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janet Napolitano
G O V E R N O R

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this seventeenth day of October in the year Two Thousand and Eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-third.

ATTEST:
Janice K. Brewer
Secretary of State

*** RUNAWAY PREVENTION MONTH ***

[M08-477]

WHEREAS, running away from home is widespread, with 1 out of every 7 youth in the United States running away from home before the age of 18; and

WHEREAS, runaway youth most often have been expelled from their homes by their families, physically, sexually, and emotionally abused at home, separated from their parents through death and divorce, too poor to secure their own basic needs, and ineligible or unable to access adequate medical or mental health resources; and

WHEREAS, effective programs supporting runaway youth and assisting youth and their families in remaining at home suc-

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ceed because of partnerships created among families, community-based human service agencies, law enforcement agencies, schools, faith-based organizations, and businesses; and

WHEREAS, the future well-being of the State is dependent on the opportunities provided for youth and families to acquire the knowledge, skills, and abilities necessary for youth to develop into safe, healthy, and productive adults; and

WHEREAS, organizations throughout the State are jointly sponsoring Runaway Prevention Month to increase public awareness of the life circumstances of youth in high-risk situations and the need for safe, healthy, and productive alternatives, resources, and supports for youth, families, and communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim November 2008 as

*** RUNAWAY PREVENTION MONTH ***

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janet Napolitano
G O V E R N O R

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ATTEST:
Janice K. Brewer
Secretary of State

*** VALLEY FEVER AWARENESS WEEK ***

[M08-476]

WHEREAS, 60% of all reported Valley Fever in the US occur in Arizona; and

WHEREAS, Valley Fever is the fourth most commonly reported infectious disease in Arizona; and

WHEREAS, Valley Fever infections have tripled in Arizona over the last decade; and

WHEREAS, enhanced surveillance of Valley Fever cases demonstrates a serious impact of Valley Fever on the health of our citizens and on Arizona's healthcare system; and

WHEREAS, through educational campaigns, the Arizona Department of Health Services, governmental entities, corporations, and organizations are united to inform the public and healthcare providers about Valley Fever in Arizona; and

WHEREAS, by teaching the public and healthcare providers about Valley Fever, the seriousness of the disease may be reduced, and early diagnosis promoted; and

WHEREAS, Arizona is the focal point of quality clinical care and research for Valley Fever;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim November 10-16, 2008 as

*** VALLEY FEVER AWARENESS WEEK ***

in recognition of the outstanding treatment and research conducted by the Valley Fever Center for Excellence at the VA Medical Center and the University of Arizona and of the advances in Valley Fever education and public health by the Arizona Department of Health Services.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janet Napolitano

G O V E R N O R

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this seventeenth day of October in the year Two Thousand and Eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-third.

ATTEST:
Janice K. Brewer
Secretary of State

*** 35TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE AMERICAN ACADEMY OF NURSING ***

[M08-489]

WHEREAS, the American Academy of Nursing an independent 501 (c) (3) was originally established in 1973 under the aegis of the American Nurses Association to anticipate national and international trends in health care and its mission continues to be to serve the public and nursing profession by advancing health policy and practice through the generation, synthesis and dissemination of nursing knowledge; and

WHEREAS, the American Academy of Nursing's 1,500 Fellows are nursing's most accomplished leaders in education, management, practice and research and have been recognized for their extraordinary nursing careers; and

WHEREAS, this is the 35th Anniversary of the American Academy of Nursing; and

WHEREAS, nurses from around the globe are attending the 35th American Academy of Nursing's Annual Meeting and Conference and are using this opportunity to share ideas and help develop new strategies for nurses to drive the transformation of the delivery of health care; and

WHEREAS, nurses use their unique insight to take action and create innovative solutions that provide affordable, coordinated, and effective care that Americans so urgently need; and

WHEREAS, the state of Arizona takes pride in recognizing that the contributions nurses make to health care are critical and an indispensable part of solving our health care crisis;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby acknowledge the

*** 35TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE AMERICAN ACADEMY OF NURSING ***

and the vital contributions made by the American Academy of Nursing's Fellows to the global delivery of health care.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janet Napolitano
G O V E R N O R

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twentieth day of October in the year Two Thousand and Eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-third.

ATTEST:
Janice K. Brewer
Secretary of State

*** ARIZONA HUNGER AND HOMELESSNESS AWARENESS WEEK ***

[M08-487]

WHEREAS, in the past year, the working poor in Arizona have seen a 10% increase in costs to maintain basic living necessities such as food, shelter, and clothing; and

WHEREAS, nearly 82,000 Arizonans are receiving emergency food services in any given week; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 881,000 people, including 331,000 children, experience the need for emergency food annually in

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the State of Arizona; and

WHEREAS, more than 14,000 Arizonans experience homelessness on any given day, with many living on the streets and in emergency shelters; and

WHEREAS, children and youth represent approximately 30% of Arizona's homeless population and are often the most vulnerable; and November has been designated as National Homeless Youth Awareness Month; and

WHEREAS, those who have lost their homes have difficulty securing the most basic of needs, are challenged with accessing adequate medical or mental health care, and are often unaware of services available to them; and

WHEREAS, every man, woman and child in Arizona deserves safe, stable, affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, the State of Arizona recognizes that hunger and homelessness continue to be serious problems, and continues to work collaboratively with its many partners to end these social tragedies;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim November 16-22, 2008 as

*** ARIZONA HUNGER AND HOMELESSNESS AWARENESS WEEK ***

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Janet Napolitano
G O V E R N O R

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-first day of October in the year Two Thousand and Eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-third.

ATTEST:
Janice K. Brewer
Secretary of State

*** CHINESE WEEK 2009: YEAR OF THE OX ***

[M08-486]

WHEREAS, Chinese Week 2009 is a series of cultural, social and educational events celebrating the rich and diverse ethnic and cultural heritage of 5,000 years of the Chinese culture; and

WHEREAS, Chinese Week 2009 is a cooperative effort between Phoenix Chinese Week, a non-profit organization, and the Phoenix Sister Cities; and

WHEREAS, Chinese Week will be celebrated during a three-day culture and cuisine festival, paying tribute to the Valley's Chinese community; and

WHEREAS, the Chinese New Year is traditionally celebrated on the first day of the first lunar moon, and this is the Year of the Ox 4707; and

WHEREAS, Chinese Week symbolizes celebration and represents the characteristics of the people born under the sign on the Year of the Ox including patience, determination, tradition, reliability, and intelligence;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim January 26- February 8, 2009 as

*** CHINESE WEEK 2009: YEAR OF THE OX ***

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

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*** VETERANS DAY ***

[M08-485]

WHEREAS, on Veterans Day we recognize the men and women of our armed forces who have valiantly defended the values of liberty, opportunity, and justice for all by answering the call of duty and risking their lives to protect their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, Arizona is home to over half a million military veterans who have helped to shape the American character by giving us an extraordinary legacy of patriotism and honor, and representing the highest form of citizenship; and

WHEREAS, all citizens of the State of Arizona are indebted to veterans for their sacrifices and recognize that the interest of veterans must be protected and heard at the highest levels of government; and

WHEREAS, the unique perspective of veterans can benefit decisions that affect the citizens of the State of Arizona and can help educate and inspire a new generation of Americans;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim November 11, 2008 as

*** VETERANS DAY ***

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

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